

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2484

Introduced by Assembly Member Carter

February 19, 2010

An act to amend Sections 2895 and 4548 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2484, as introduced, Carter. Vocational nurses: psychiatric technicians: fees.

The Vocational Nursing Practice Act and the Psychiatric Technicians Law provide for the licensure and regulation of licensed vocational nurses and psychiatric technicians by the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians of the State of California. Existing law requires the board to set various fees within specified maximum and minimum amounts, including a biennial licensure renewal fee and a delinquency fee for failure to pay that renewal fee. Existing law requires the deposit of those fees in the Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians Fund.

This bill would increase the maximum amount of the biennial licensure renewal fee and the delinquency fee set by the board.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2895 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:

1 2895. The amount of the fees prescribed by this chapter in
2 connection with the issuance of licenses under its provisions is
3 that fixed by the following schedule:

4 (a) The fee to be paid upon the filing of an application shall be
5 in an amount not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) and may be
6 fixed by the board at an amount no more than one hundred fifty
7 dollars (\$150).

8 (b) The fee to be paid for taking each examination shall be the
9 actual cost to purchase the examination from a vendor approved
10 by the board.

11 (c) The fee to be paid for any examination after the first shall
12 be in an amount not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75) and may
13 be fixed by the board at an amount no more than one hundred fifty
14 dollars (\$150).

15 (d) The biennial renewal fee to be paid upon the filing of an
16 application for renewal shall be in an amount not less than one
17 hundred dollars (\$100) and may be fixed by the board at an amount
18 no more than ~~one two hundred fifty dollars (\$150)~~ (\$200). In
19 addition, an assessment of five dollars (\$5) shall be collected and
20 credited to the Vocational Nurse Education Fund, pursuant to
21 Section 2895.5.

22 (e) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee for
23 failure to pay the biennial renewal fee within the prescribed time
24 shall be in an amount not less than fifty dollars (\$50) and may be
25 fixed by the board at not more than 50 percent of the regular
26 renewal fee and in no case more than ~~seventy-five one hundred~~
27 ~~dollars (\$75)~~ (\$100).

28 (f) The initial license fee is an amount equal to the biennial
29 renewal fee in effect on the date the application for the license is
30 filed.

31 (g) The fee to be paid for an interim permit shall be in an amount
32 not less than forty dollars (\$40) and may be fixed by the board at
33 an amount no more than fifty dollars (\$50).

34 (h) The fee to be paid for a duplicate license shall be in an
35 amount not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25) and may be fixed
36 by the board at an amount no more than fifty dollars (\$50).

37 (i) The fee to be paid for processing endorsement papers to other
38 states shall be in an amount not less than seventy-five dollars (\$75)
39 and may be fixed by the board at an amount no more than one
40 hundred dollars (\$100).

1 No further fee shall be required for a license or a renewal thereof
2 other than as prescribed by this chapter.

3 SEC. 2. Section 4548 of the Business and Professions Code is
4 amended to read:

5 4548. The amount of the fees prescribed by this chapter in
6 connection with the issuance of licenses under its provisions shall
7 be according to the following schedule:

8 (a) The fee to be paid upon the filing of an application shall be
9 in an amount not less than one hundred dollars (\$100), and may
10 be fixed by the board at an amount no more than one hundred fifty
11 dollars (\$150).

12 (b) The fee to be paid for taking each examination shall be the
13 actual cost to purchase an examination from a vendor approved
14 by the board.

15 (c) The fee to be paid for any examination after the first shall
16 be in an amount of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100), and
17 may be fixed by the board at an amount no more than one hundred
18 fifty dollars (\$150).

19 (d) The biennial renewal fee to be paid upon the filing of an
20 application for renewal shall be in an amount not less than two
21 hundred dollars (\$200), and may be fixed by the board at an amount
22 no more than three hundred *fifty* dollars-~~(\$300)~~ (\$350).

23 (e) Notwithstanding Section 163.5, the delinquency fee for
24 failure to pay the biennial renewal fee within the prescribed time
25 shall be in an amount not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) and
26 may be fixed by the board at not more than 50 percent of the
27 regular renewal fee and in no case more than one hundred-~~fifty~~
28 *seventy-five* dollars-~~(\$150)~~ (\$175).

29 (f) The initial license fee is an amount equal to the biennial
30 renewal fee in effect on the date the application for the license is
31 filed.

32 (g) The fee to be paid for an interim permit shall be in an amount
33 no less than twenty dollars (\$20) and may be fixed by the board
34 at an amount no more than fifty dollars (\$50).

35 (h) The fee to be paid for a duplicate license shall be in an
36 amount not less than twenty dollars (\$20) and may be fixed by the
37 board at an amount no more than fifty dollars (\$50).

38 (i) The fee to be paid for processing endorsement papers to other
39 states shall be in an amount not less than twenty dollars (\$20) and

1 may be fixed by the board at an amount no more than fifty dollars
2 (\$50).

3 (j) The fee to be paid for postlicensure certification in blood
4 withdrawal shall be in an amount not less than twenty dollars (\$20)
5 and may be fixed by the board at an amount no more than fifty
6 dollars (\$50).

7 (k) The biennial fee to be paid upon the filing of an application
8 for renewal for a provider of an approved continuing education
9 course or a course to meet the certification requirements for blood
10 withdrawal shall be in an amount not less than one hundred fifty
11 dollars (\$150), and may be fixed by the board at an amount no
12 more than two hundred dollars (\$200).